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PAINTS A ROSY PICTURE.

Otto M. Rosendale Tells of Mining in Southern Oregon.

Otto M. Rosendale, the well-known local mining engineer, has just returned from a trip to the mining districts of Jackson and Josephine counties in southern Oregon, and the picture he paints of the possibilities of that section as a mining center, is a rosy one. Mr. Rosendale believes that the half has not yet been told of the richness of the district. In describing his trip he said:

"I left Portland for Medford, Jackson county, by rail. From there I took a team to Jacksonville, of historic memory, as the mining capital of southern Oregon in other days. From the best figures obtainable from the Wells-Fargo Express agent at Jacksonville, I am led to believe that from \$30,000,000 to \$35,000,000 in gold dust has been taken from that place from 1860 up to the present time. The agent has been there 42 years. He showed me some remarkable specimens of placer gold, running in value from twenty dollars to six hundred and fifty dollars.

A man named Kahler, who has placer claims in the vicinity showed me over \$900 in gold dust, which contains two specimens, one smaller than the other, but still exact counterparts of each other. Both bore a striking resemblance to an English coat of arms. The fact of the resemblance of these two specimens to each other is very singular.

"From Jacksonville I took a team to Cameron's Crossing, where you have to ford the Applegate river. This is a very swift stream, headwaters are in the Siskiyou mountains and it empties into the Rogue river below Grants Pass. We made the ford along the wagon-bed and swift current almost carried the horses off their feet.

"A drive up the river brings one to Mule Back Crossing. This is the most dangerous fording of the Applegate and requires much skill and coolness on the part of the leader in order to reach the other bank. All along the river bed and up on high ridges one finds evidences of extensive placer mining. After careful investigation I found that at least \$10,000,000 in dust has been taken out of the Applegate river placers. It is no uncommon occurrence for a rancher and his boy to make from \$2000 to \$3000 in a single winter in robbing and washing out certain bars, which have either been hastily worked or overlooked all together.

"All along the river one finds hemmed by very steep mountains, and that heavily timbered, small fruit ranches and well-kept truck gardens, but the chief industry is placer mining, with only occasional attempts to cultivate the soil.

"After leaving the last mentioned crossing or fording of the river, the road reaches the top of the divide by a precipitous and dangerous route. At some of the most dangerous points one looks straight down into the rushing waters of the Applegate, swelling and sucking their way through deep, rocky canyons.

"As the shadows of evening spread themselves over the valleys we reached Watkins' camp, our destination. This is the headquarters of the Applegate Ditch and Placer Mining Co. The next morning I inspected the property of this company, which carries over 12,000 miners' inches of water from the influx of Carberry creek into the Applegate through a highline ditch, seven miles in length, to the placers of the company. The headworks of this ditch consist of a wing dam across the Applegate with dam approaches on both sides, and two reversible headgates, which regulate the inflow of the water.

"At times the Applegate river swarms with salmon and salmon trout, and whenever it becomes necessary to shut off the water and let the ditch run dry the large salmon become stranded and have to be driven back into the river. The stream is a veritable fisherman's paradise.

"My duties required me to traverse the whole length of the ditch. In places it has to be carried in a flume across gulches and canyons. Over one of these canyons the water is carried in a flume that rests on a high trestle work, itself a piece of engineering skill. The fall of the ditch is seven feet to the mile. The ditch is hewn through rock, being an extremely hard variety of granite. The company contemplates in the very near future the extension of the ditch, which will carry the water on a steep mountain side over valleys and canyons, to or near Jacksonville, and make profitable thousands and thousands of acres of so called placer ground, which until now have remained unexplored by reason of the lack of water. The length of the ditch, as thus extended will be 22 miles. If this project is carried to a successful conclusion the production of precious metal in Jackson and Josephine counties will be enormous.

OREGON AT BUFFALO.

Our Exhibits the First to be Completed.

Today, says the Buffalo Times of May 18, Oregon's exhibit at the Pan American Exposition is seen in completed state, and the Pacific Coast State receives the distinction of being the first state that can say as much. Credit is due the capable superintendent, Mr. Henry E. Dosch of Portland, and his nine assistants. Mr. Dosch has a commendable habit of being punctual. Had some of the other state superintendents been as conscientious as he, there would not now be the rush among the states to get ready by Dedication day. Mr. Dosch represented Oregon at Chicago, was superintendent of his state's exhibit at Omaha, and has already been appointed in charge of the exhibit that is to be made at Charleston. These honors are sufficient to indicate that the valuable worth of his wide experience, keen judgment, trained knowledge and expert thoroughness are understood and appreciated.

A Times representative, in passing through the Agriculture building last evening came upon Mr. Dosch. The superintendent was always to be found in happy frame of mind, but he appeared delighted as a boy with a new red wagon, as he championed Oregon's enterprise. The modest man that he is, he would have all the credit rebound to the state had A. J. Johnson, the forestry expert, whereas in truth the genial superintendent himself deserves the laurels. Much of the state's exhibit is personal property, and his acceptance of the position of superintendent entailed a considerable expenditure of money, for which he will be remunerated.

"It took only two weeks to get the Oregon exhibits in place, and we are to be seen in the Agricultural, Mines, Forestry, Horticulture and Liberal Arts buildings," said Mr. Dosch. "Think of it, we came 3000 miles and are nevertheless the first state to present a complete exhibit.

"Our mines exhibit is worth \$60,000 and there is one piece of quartz weighing 600 pounds that is very valuable. Professor Lane, United States Agrostologist, says our grains, grass and forest plants exhibit are the finest in the United States.

The Oregon exhibits at Chicago and Omaha were also the first in place, and Mr. Dosch has a letter conveying the thanks of the executive committee for the energy he displayed in the work. Mr. Dosch is an authority on horticulture, and has written at length on the subject. He has a diploma from his state for his distinguished service, he having personally supplied the material for the horticulture exhibit on several occasions. He owns the horticulture exhibit at the Pan-American Exposition, also.

Mr. Dosch was asked why it was that Oregon appropriated only \$20,000 for the Buffalo fair with an exposition of her own scheduled for 1905, whereas \$60,000 was appropriated for the Chicago fair. The superintendent made evasive reply, but it was evident from his manner that the Oregon Legislature was afflicted with "mossbackism."

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